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Applicant:

Hubbard et al.

Title:

TISSUE AUGMENTATION MATERIAL AND METHOD

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 17, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- [] Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
- [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims				Extra			
	As		Previously		Claims			Additional
	Amended		Paid For		Present		Rate	Claims Fee
Total Claims:	49	-	73	=	0	х	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	13	-	8	=	5	x	\$86.00 =	\$430.00
First p	oresentation of	of a	ny Multiple D)epei	ndent Claims:	+	\$290.00 =	\$0.00

CLAIMS FEE TOTAL	=	\$430.00

[]	Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the
		total number of months checked below:

[Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00		
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00	\$0.00		
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00	\$0.00		
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00	\$0.00		
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00	\$0.00		
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:				
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$110.00	\$0.00		
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FE	E TOTAL:	\$430.00		
[[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00		
	TO	TAL FEE:	\$430.00		

- [X] Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1450 in the amount of \$430.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [] A check in the amount of \$430.00 is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1450. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1450. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1450.

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Respectfully submitted,

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